

MONTHLY REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MATTERS INITIATIVE FOR EPA

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Project Name: Environmental Health Matters Initiative

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WORK IN JUNE 2022

General

- Held monthly internal staff meetings with NASEM advisory group to discuss emerging issues, ongoing or initiated projects, upcoming events, and practices for community engagement prior to and during the workshops.
- Held the NASEM advisory staff meeting (held every six weeks)
- Discussed the EHMI future vision during the June bi-monthly committee meeting to receive additional feedback, finalize the Statement of Task, and explore options for impactful activities for the EHMI as a follow-up from the May Business meeting.
- Continued to hold the monthly NASEM advisory staff group calls to identify ongoing NASEM activities that address committee members, liaisons, and sponsor topical interests and discuss possible approaches for future workshops
- Continue to hold biweekly calls with the EHMI steering committee co-chairs and chair emeritus to prepare meeting agendas and materials and develop workshop scopes
- Continued to engage with ESRI and internal NASEM staff about developing story maps for EHMI to reach a broader audience, particularly those who are affected by and/or help to address environmental health.

Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity – A Workshop Series (Second workshop, May 24 and 26, Virtual)

- Started preparing the first draft of the Proceedings-in-Brief for the workshop series on Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity: State Implementation
- Presented the major takeaways from the May workshop during the steering committee's monthly call for feedback and suggestions.
- Refined ideas with the planning committee and the NASEM staff for the next workshop from the series and prepared a two-page document of potential ideas.

Indoor Air Management of Airborne Pathogens: A Virtual Workshop Series (August, Virtual)

- Submitted the committee slate of potential committee members for internal approval
- Continued the planning of the three workshops on indoor air management and airborne pathogens with the co-chairs.
- Selected a date and invited speakers for the first workshop focused on the state of the science
- Prepared a pre-workshop survey for participants, and prepared a social media kit for the announcement.

Communication

- Continue publicizing the release of the digital guides for *Issues at the Intersection of Environmental Health and Agriculture: Reactive Nitrogen in Ground and Surface Water*; *How We Move Matters: Exploring the Connections between New Transportation and Mobility Options and Environmental Health – A Workshop*; and *Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity – A*

New Vision

- Explore options for redesigning the EHMI webpage, including a discussion with ESRI about story maps.
- Updated EHMI events, listings, and arrangements
- Promoted environmental health-related events from across the Academies via EHMI communication channels

Upcoming Work – July 2022:

General

- Hold monthly or *ad-hoc* internal staff meetings with NASEM advisory group to discuss emerging issues, ongoing or initiated projects, upcoming events, and practices for community engagement prior to and during the workshops.
- Hold the bi-monthly business meeting.
- Continue to hold biweekly calls with the EHMI steering committee co-chairs and chair emeritus to prepare meeting agendas and materials and develop workshop scopes
- Begin designing an accessible, interactive website for the EHMI
- Continue engaging members, liaisons, NASEM advisory staff, and sponsors on refining the strategy for achieving the future vision of the EHMI

Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity – A Workshop Series (May 24 and 26, Virtual)

- Review the first draft of the Proceedings-in-Brief for the second workshop.
- Identify and appoint external reviewers
- Start the process for the production of the digital guide derivative product
- Continue the internal discussion about selecting topics/themes for the third and fourth workshop

Indoor Air and Respiratory Infections (Summer and Fall, Tentative, Virtual)

- Start meeting weekly with the appointed planning committees
- Finalize the agenda for the workshop focused on the state of science and send a public announcement with the social media toolkit.
- Start planning the workshop focused on school and transportation.

Communication

- Continue publicizing the release of the digital guide for *Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity – A New Vision*
- Explore design of the accessible, interactive website for EHMI
- Update EHMI's events, listings, and arrangements
- Promote environmental health-related events from across the Academies via EHMI's communication channels
- Send the newsletter for July 2022

Current or Anticipated Concerns or Problems:

- Funds for travel costs may need to be shifted to staff time to implement virtual workshops
- Dates for workshops are being shifted due to an unusual summer vacation pattern for key speakers.

Staffing Changes:

- Alex Reich will be replaced by Laurie Geller for directing the Communities, Climate Change, and Health Equity workshop Series

Attachments:

- Financials

	ITD Spending	Total Budget
Labor Cost	\$0.00	Ex. 4 CBI
Technology	\$0.00	
Travel	\$0.00	
ODCs	\$0.00	
Meeting	\$0.00	
Overhead	\$0.00	
G&A	\$0.00	
Total	\$0.00	

Month	Monthly Labor Costs	Cumulative Labor Costs	Total Funds Spent This Period (\$)	Inception to Date Spent	TO Mod Amount	Remaining Amount	Total Funds Spent (%)
May-22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$305,428.43	\$305,428.43	0.0%
Jun-22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$305,428.43	\$305,428.43	0.0%
Jul-22				\$0.00	\$305,428.43	\$305,428.43	0.0%
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*No Amount Suspended

Staff	Role	Monthly Hours	Total Hours to Date
Audrey Thevenon	Sr Program Officer, DELS		
Kavita Berger	Board Director, DELS		
Laurie Geller	Sr Program Officer, DELS		
Benjamin Ulrich	Communications Associate		
Christl Saunders	Project Assistanat, DELS		
Cynthia Getner	Sr Finance Business Partner		

Monthly Spending
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